

SOVIET COURIERS SENT TO AMERICA

Firebrand of Revolution Asks Aid From U. S. Reds.

RUSSIAN REVOLT WEAKENS

Communist Labor Party Urged to Unite in Armed Insurrection and Overthrow Government.

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G. S. Zinoviev, president of the executive committee of the third international, is also the virtual dictator of Petrograd. On February 25 the World printed an interview with him by Lincoln Eyre, its special correspondent sent to Russia, whose articles are now appearing in this newspaper. Mr. Eyre describes Zinoviev as the "firebrand of the revolution."

RIGA, March 26.—(Special Cable.)—From documents taken from a soviet agent captured by Lithuan troops it is evident that the structure of Russian communism is unsteady and will fall unless strengthened by the economic and moral effect of a similar revolution elsewhere. The choice of the executive committee of the communist international is the United States, as is evidenced by a mandate signed "Zinoviev" and addressed to the American communist labor party, calling upon them to unite in armed insurrection to overthrow the government.

An admission of weakness is made in a letter to I. W. W. members in these definite words: "Unless the workers of other countries rise in revolt the Russian revolution cannot last."

The bolshevik carrying the message is believed to be one of many sent from Moscow after the communist conference there with messages to the communist party in the United States. He had awaited an opportunity to pass through the lines, but was carefully examined by the Lithuan military authorities, despite his Austrian passport. The papers were discovered in the false bottom of his box, and the diamonds in the heels of his boots. After military trial he was executed.

Party Break Decried.

The mandate to the communist parties was typewritten closely in English on both sides of pieces of cotton cloth of foolscap size. The letter to the I. W. W. was printed on small sheets of tissue paper. I was in possession of both for 24 hours.

They were written in the usual anarchist-communist phraseology, but were nevertheless clear about the violent intentions and desires of their authors. Commencing with the usual "Dear Comrades," the mandate refers to the reports of members from America who attended the Moscow conference. It states that the split between the American communist and American labor parties rendered a heavy blow to the communist movement in America, and says that "it leads to dispersion of the revolution."

"The concentration of American bourgeois forces," the mandate adds, "has increased to an unprecedented extent, and demands unprecedented sacrifices." Later it says: "The split is not caused by any profound difference of opinion as regards the programme. At bottom, but certain disagreements as to questions of tactics, principally questions of organization. Under existing circumstances the split has not the slightest justification and should be liquidated at all costs."

"Insofar as both parties stand on the platform of the communist international—and of this we have not the slightest doubt—the split is not only possible, but absolutely necessary, and the executive committee insists on this being immediately brought about."

On a separate piece of cloth was the agreement for the unification of the communist parties to be known as the united communist party of America, in which insistence upon the supreme power of the central committee is the chief point of interest.

The letter to the I. W. W. is most friendly and appreciative, and even more outspoken. Zinoviev, president of the central committee, addressing his "comrades and fellow-workers," says the world war has given the opportunity for the revolution already begun by Russia to be realized. He insists that if the opportunity is seized the world will belong to the workers, and there may not be another chance for generations.

He declares the bolshevik revolution has taken everything from the hands of the owners and transferred the property to the working class, although all trustworthy reports from Russia indicate that the workers are dominated by commissaries to whom the workers are not unlike serfs.

He urges a commonwealth without a state for an America without a government and without classes. His letter is addressed to the I. W. W. "in recognition of your long, heroic service, on account of which I now call upon you to take the place which your revolutionary experience entitles you to in the front ranks of the red army."

Deportations Secured.

He refers passionately to the deportation and imprisonment of bolsheviks, to anti-strike legislation, to "red flag laws," and laws against propaganda advocating the forcible overthrow of the government and destruction of property.

One comprehends the cause of his urgent appeal on reading that bolshevik Russia cannot endure unless there are revolutions elsewhere. He then admits that the Hungarian soviet government has been destroyed and the communists' task is not easy. It requires force. He says the state must be overthrown in America and abolished.

In conclusion he says: "The immediate work of the I. W. W. as the most important organization based on revolutionary industrial unionism in America is to take the initiative in trying to establish a base for uniting all unions which have a revolutionary character and all which are sympathetic into one big union. This is no time to quibble about a name or minor questions. The essential thing is to draw together all capable of mass action."

"At this time of crisis the communist international holds out to the I. W. W. the hand of brotherhood." The few state of Latvia is responsible for the capture of the bolshevik agent carrying these papers to the United States. It has suffered far more than Russia from bolshevism and is doggedly determined to keep any suspects out of the country.

ROW BREAKS OUT AGAIN

Medford School Board's Opponents Call Public Meeting.

MEDFORD, Or., April 2.—(Special.)—Medford's public schools controversy

which has been dormant for more than a week, awaiting the reply of the school board to the proposal to arbitrate, threatens to break out violently again, now that the board has given its formal reply in which it stands pat on its position.

LUMBER BUSINESS BRISK

DEMAND CONTINUES STRONG, SAY WESTERN MILLMEN.

Railroads Are Making Heavy Purchases—Cut for Week but Little Below Normal.

According to a bulletin just issued by the West Coast Lumbermen's association, the 128 mills represented in its report made total rail shipments last week of 234 cars, or 87,400,000 feet, and new business accepted was \$2,418,608 feet, of which \$1,550,000 will move by rail and 2,248,819 will be delivered locally. Of water shipments, 10,236,024 feet will be exported and 8,987,735 feet will go to domestic markets.

The report says: "Railroad buyers continue among the most active factors in the lumber trade. They are making heavy purchases regularly. While railroad business is brisk, demand for yard stock and material for industrial construction continues good."

"As a result, mills are maintaining a high average of production. The cut at 128 mills for the week ended March 27 was \$6,374,705 feet, which was only .298,295 feet, or .44 per cent below normal. The prospect for export business is particularly promising."

"The car situation has not changed in the last few weeks. In the last four years the freight traffic of the railroads has increased 45 per cent, according to late estimates, but the supply of engines and cars has increased only 2 per cent.

"The mills are doing all they can to satisfy the insistent calls of eastern and middle western markets for lumber. The 128 mills represented in the report have a balance of 10,476 cars, or 21,800,000 feet of unfilled rail orders on their books."

COVE PLANS TO REBUILD

Men Serve Dinner to Wives and Discuss Offer of Sites.

COVE, Or., April 2.—(Special.)—The initial step toward rebuilding the burned out business section of Cove was taken when Mrs. Hugh McCall at a special meeting of the Women's Civic Improvement club invited every member to bring her husband, and the men served, without feminine interference, a first-class dinner.

SPENCER SUCCEEDS YORAN

Lane County Commissioner Heads Fair Association.

EUGENE, Or., April 2.—(Special.)—E. R. Spencer, county commissioner, was last night elected president of the Lane County Fair association. He succeeds W. C. Yoran, who was elected secretary, taking the place of Ray H. Wood, who has resigned and will leave at once for Salt Lake, Utah, to reside. Roy Woodruff was chosen as vice-president to succeed Mr. Spencer.

\$43,000 LEFT CHAUFFEUR

Idaho Man's Faithful Services Seven Years Ago Rewarded.

BOISE, Idaho, April 2.—(Special.)—Because of his faithful services for two years as chauffeur for Mrs. J. H. Peery of St. Louis, deceased, Lee J. Oviest, shop foreman in the Capital garage at Boise, in this state, received a legacy of \$42,000 from her in her will. Official notification has been received by Mr. Oviest.

VETERAN BRINGS BRIDE

Edwin M. Burns, Castle Rock, Returns After 22 Months.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., April 2.—(Special.)—Edwin M. Burns, son of Mrs. Nellie E. Melton of this place, was the first Castle Rock soldier

HARRY CAREY in OVERLAND RED

A picture of thrills, romance, gun battles, horsemanship and horse races. The best picture that Harry Carey ever did.

STARTING TODAY

Adm. Two Bits

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SATURDAY! Easter Suits for Your Boys

Boys' Skolny Suits Boys' Wearpledge Suits \$16.85

for Knickerbocker Suits Normally Priced \$20 and \$22.50

The Smartest Fabrics The Best Styles The Most Thorough Workmanship

Fathers and mothers will find sterling qualities in these suits that do not obtain in any other makes in America. TODAY at the special price.

This offer includes every boys' suit in my store at the prices named.

—Second Floor

Den Selling LEADING CLOTHIER Morrison Street at Fourth



BOYS' CAPS, BOYS' NECKWEAR BOYS' UNDERWEAR BOYS' HOSIERY

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Men Serve Dinner to Wives and Discuss Offer of Sites.

CHURCHES TO PLAN DRIVE

Conference Called at Albany in Interest of World Movement.

SNOW ACCOMPANIES GALE

Fallen Trees Leave Telephone Lines in Bad Condition.

STARTS TODAY SEVEN BIG DAYS

Girl Scouts Organizer.

Are you having trouble with your skin?

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HARRY CAREY in OVERLAND RED

Resinol makes sick skins well

MARGUERITE CLARK in 'EASY TO GET'

EUGENE O'BRIEN in "THE BROKEN MELODY"

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HERE'S WHERE YOU WILL FIND THE MOST DELIGHTFUL FUN IN PORTLAND ALL THIS WEEK

THE VISION OF LOVELINESS

NORMA TALMADGE

In the Famous Wilkie Collins Comedy of Wives and Affinities

"SHE LOVES AND LIES"

LISTEN:

IT ONLY COSTS TWO-BITS TO DARKEN OUR DOOR— WHY GO ELSEWHERE AND HAVE TO PAY MORE?

HEED!

OTHER PICTORIAL NUMBERS OF USUAL LIBERTY EXCELLENCE. ALSO ALBERT GILLETTE AS "TONIO" IN THE PROLOGUE TO "I PAGLIACCI."



SPECIAL EASTER CONCERT TOMORROW AT 12:30

travel pay, insurance and vocational training were answered.

Trip Taken to Visit Parents.

ABERDEEN, Wash., April 2.—(Special.)—J. W. Fraser, who has been a

member of the city council for the past eight years and who this spring declined re-election, practically severed his connection with the city government Wednesday night, when he secured a 30 days' leave, which will carry beyond the end of his term. He plans to be away two months.

STARTING TODAY ALL THIS WEEK



EUGENE O'BRIEN

IN

"THE BROKEN MELODY"

A LYRICAL ROMANCE PLAYED UPON THE HEART-STRINGS OF THE GIRL HE LOVED

A GRIPPING, THRILLING DRAMA OF HUMAN EMOTIONS

Philip Pelz—Conducting—Peoples Symphonique Orchestra

